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SUBJ: ISLAMIC FOREIGN MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

DELEGATES FROM SEVERAL NATIONS SPOKE THURSDAY AT THE 7TH ISLAMIC
FTREIGN MINISTERS' CONFERENCE IN ISTANBUL. IN A PRESS CONFERENCE
AFTER THE MORNING SESSION, IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT MOST DELEGATIONS
HAD CONDEMNED ISRAEL'S OCCUPATION OF ARAB LANDS, AND ASKED FOR THE
FULL RIGHTSO OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE TO BE RETURNED. THE
EGYPTIAN AND PAKISTANI REPRESENTATIVES ALSO CALLED FOR THE
SUPPORT OF NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS IN NAMIBIA AND
ZIMBABWE. IRAN AND THE REPUBLIC OF NIGER EXPRESSED CONCERN
ABOUT THE EVENTS IN LEBANON. ALSO, THE EGYPTIAN REPRESENTATIVE
REQUESTED THAT THE CONFERENCE SUPPORT THE TURKISH
CYPRIOT CAUSE AND CALLED FOR THE GENEVA CONVENTION
TO BE RECONVENED, WITH EQUAL REPRESENTATION TO BE
GIVEN TO THE PALESTINIAN LIBERATION ORGANIZATION.
THE PAKISTANI DELEGATE ASKED FOR THE AID OF THE
ISLAMIC CONFERENCE IN HELPING PUT AN END TO THE
EFFORTS OF OTHER COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY ISRAEL, SOUTH
AFRICA AND WHAT HE CALLED QUOTE OTHER ASIAN NATIONS
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UNQUOTE, TO DEVELOP NUCLEAR WEAPONS. HE SAID

QUOTE IF THESE NATIONS
HAVE NUCLEAR WEAPONS,
THEY WILL FIRST BE USED AGAINST THE MOLEM PEOPLE
LIVING IN THESE AREAS UNQUOTE.

IN A QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION AFTER THURSDAY'S
PRESS CONFERENCE, IT WAS REVEALED THAT REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
PHILLIPPINES AND MORRO NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT
HAD BEEN MEETING IN JIDDA, SAUDIA ARABIA, TO TRY TO
ESTABLISH A RAPPROCHEMENT. THE SPOKESMAN SAID
BECAUSE NO SOLUTION WAS FOUND, AN ITEM DEALING WITH
RELATIONS BETWEEN ISLAMIC COUNTRIES AND THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE PHILIPPINES HAD BEEN PLACED ON THE CONFERENCE
AGENDA.

IT WAS ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT THE COMORO ISLANDS
HAD BEEN ACCEPTED AS FULL MEMBERS BY THE CONFERENCE
AND THAT THE CONFERENCE WOULD CONSIDER TAKING A
COMMON POSITION AT THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE.

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